

SUBCHAPTER C—CLAIMS; GENERAL

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AUTHORITY: 31 U.S.C. 711 and 3702.

§ 30.1 Coverage of regulations in Subchapter C.

The regulations in Subchapter C relate to all classes of claims by and against the United States except:

(a) Those claims which are under the exclusive jurisdiction of administrative agencies pursuant to specific statutory authority;

(b) Claims concerning matters which are subject to negotiated grievance procedures under collective bargaining agreements entered into pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 7121(a);

(c) Claims for charges for transportation services furnished for the account of the United States, which now are to be filed with the General Services Administration or the agencies out of whose activities they arise. However, claims by carriers and forwarders against the United States for amounts administratively deducted from transportation payment vouchers in connection with loss or damage to property are covered by this subchapter and are to be filed in the General Accounting Office.

[27 FR 12044, Dec. 6, 1962, as amended at 40 FR 60036, Dec. 31, 1975; 47 FR 56980, Dec. 22, 1982; 57 FR 31272, July 14, 1992; 57 FR 33392, July 28, 1992]

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§ 31.1 Scope of part.

This part prescribes general procedures applicable to claims against the United States which must be adjudicated in the General Accounting Office or in the agency out of whose activities the claim arose before payment is made or denied exclusive of transportation claims. Special procedures applicable to specified types or classes of claims against the United States are contained in the subsequent parts of this subchapter.

[22 FR 10890, Dec. 28, 1957, as amended at 54 FR 25437, June 15, 1989]

FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMANTS

§ 31.2 Form of claim.

Unless otherwise specifically provided, claims will be considered only when presented in writing over the signature and address of the claimant or over the signature of the claimant's authorized agent or attorney. Generally, no particular form is required for filing a claim; however, claim forms are prescribed in succeeding parts of this subchapter for specific classes of claims.

[22 FR 10890, Dec. 28, 1957]

§ 31.3 Claim filed by attorney or agent.

A claim filed by an agent or attorney must be supported by a duly executed power of attorney or other documentary evidence of the agent's or attorney's right to act for the claimant. See part 11 of this chapter.

[22 FR 10890, Dec. 28, 1957, as amended at 45 FR 84955, Dec. 24, 1980; 54 FR 51867, Dec. 19, 1989]

§ 31.4 Where claims should be filed, appeals.

A claimant should file his or her claim with the administrative department or agency out of whose activities the claim arose. The agency shall initially adjudicate the claim. If the